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Subject: RE: Action Requested: OCIR Call for Hot Topic Bullets for Upcoming Administrator Engagements – due Friday, 2/6

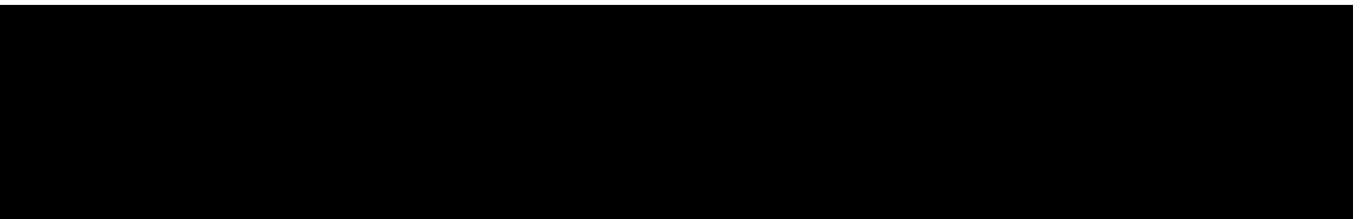
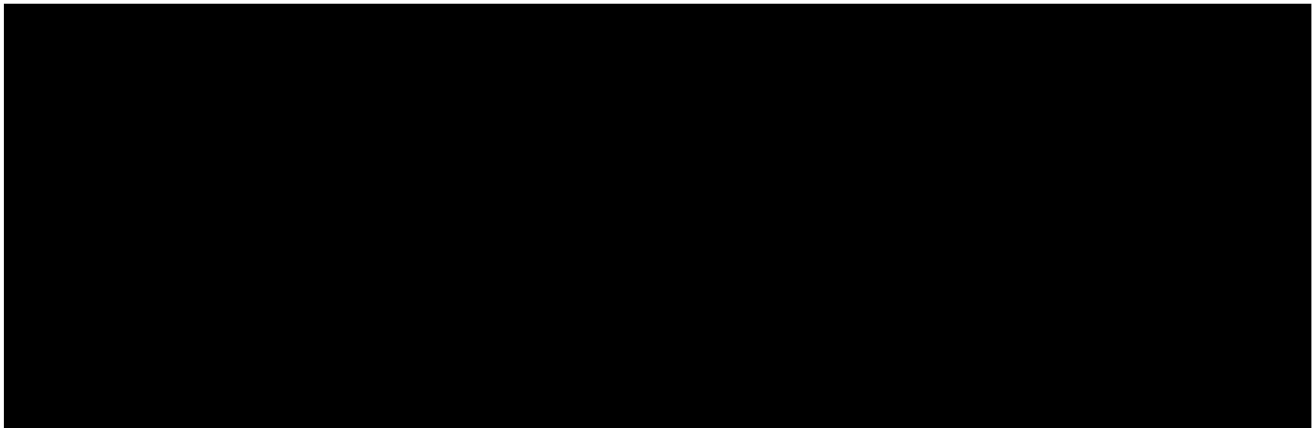
Hi Andrea,

As requested, below are our Region 9 hot topic bullets for upcoming administrator events. Please let me know if you need more information. Thank you!

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EPA Region 9 Hot Topics for upcoming administrator events with states/governors (Feb. 6, 2015)

ARIZONA (Gov. Doug Ducey - new)



[REDACTED]

CALIFORNIA (Gov. Jerry Brown)

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Exide Technologies: In 2014 EPA issued a Notice of Violation to Exide for excessive lead emissions. EPA's investigation, prompted by community concerns and ongoing investigations by state and local agencies, found that Exide violated federally enforceable lead emissions standards more than 30 times since September 2013. In August 2014, Exide received a federal grand jury subpoena seeking documents related to air emissions and materials transportation. EPA is working closely with state and local agencies to resolve compliance issues and address community health concerns, and the facility remains closed until it meets Air District requirements. Settlement negotiations are ongoing with Exide. [REDACTED]

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HAWAII (Gov. David Ige – new)

All –

Please see the attached message below from OCIR's Andrea Barbery requesting the Regional Intergovernmental Liaisons to provide "Hot Topic Bullets" by Friday, February 6th for a number of upcoming Administrator engagements coming up over the next couple of months. Andrea's request is that we limit our submittals to only **"the most hot-button topics"**, perhaps the top one - three issues per State, so we can greatly reduce the number of Hot Topic bullets from our last HQ request for Hot Topics which was completed in September 2014 and which is attached for your reference.

Region IX:

Gov. Doug Ducey (Arizona) – New Governor

Gov. Jerry Brown (California)

Gov. David Ige (Hawaii) – New Governor

Gov. Brian Sandoval (Nevada)

Gov. Eddie Baza Calvo (Guam)

Gov. Eloy S. Inos (CNMI)

Gov. Lolo Letalu Matalasi Moliga (American Samoa) – New Governor

Please note that I will be out of the office the week of February 2 – 6, so please provide your Divisions "most hot topics" to Suzanne Skadowski who will be backing me up while I am out of the office. Please copy me on what you send to Suzanne and she can compile and send to Andrea by the requested deadline.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation with this request and please give me a call either today or tomorrow if you have any questions.

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Cc: Cook-Shyovitz, Becky; Bowles, Jack

Subject: Call for Hot Topics – due Friday, 2/6

Dear Regional Intergovernmental Liaisons,

It is time once again for Hot Topics! As you may know, OIR is working to prepare the Administrator for a number of upcoming engagements here in Washington, DC in the coming months, to include:

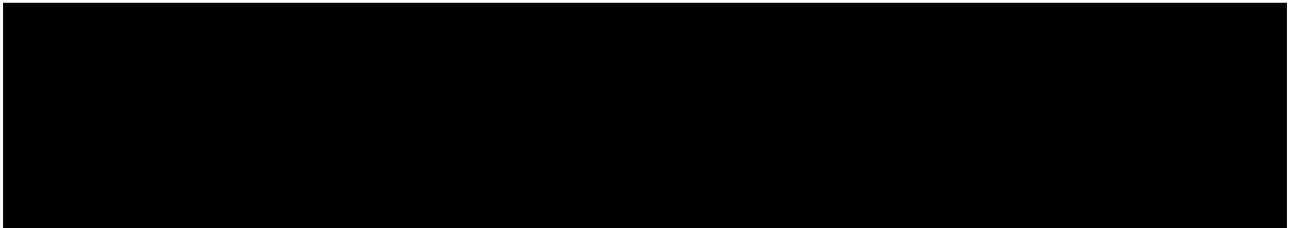
- The National Governors Association 2015 Winter Meeting (Feb. 20-23)
- A number of one-on-one meetings with certain (TBD) Governors (Feb. 20-23)
- The Western Governors' Association Breakfast Meeting with Cabinet Officials (Feb. 22)
- ECOS 2015 Spring Meeting (Mar. 16-18)

At this point, we do not have a list of RSVPs for the meetings, but we anticipate turnout to be similar to last year's events, and we will inform you when we receive confirmation of your respective Governors' attendance. Last year, approximately 40 Governors attended the NGA winter meeting, and 13 (of 22) Governors attended the WGA

Breakfast. The ECOS meeting is still a ways off, but will also likely include the majority of states' environmental commissioners/directors.

Here is the format we are requesting for the Hot Topics. Please note we are only requesting the most hot-button topics in your states:

MAINE (Commissioner Pattie Aho / Governor Paul LePage)



Please send a short summary of your Region's Hot Topics by COB **Friday, Feb. 6.**

Thanks,

Andrea Barbery

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